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**Closure of Spinning Mills in Orissa**

285. SHRI ANANTA SETHI: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) the names of spinning mills which have been closed down in Orissa during last three years;
- (b) the reasons for closure of those mills;
- (c) whether any steps have been taken for revival of those mills; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI GINGEE N. RAMACHANDRAN): (a) and (b) As per available information, during the last three years, out of existing 15 cotton man-made fibre spinning mills in the organised sector, only 4 spinning mills have been closed in the State of Orissa. These are as follows:—

Sl. No.	Name of the Mill	Reasons for Closure
1.	Utkal Weavers Co-op. Spg. Mills Ltd.,	Financial Difficulties
2.	Puri Ashoka Synthetics Ltd., (Gangapur Weavers'), Sundergarh	Strike by Workers
3.	Bhastar Textile Mills, Jharsuguda Aska Spg. Mills, Ganjam	Financial Difficulties
4.		Financial Difficulties

(c) and (d) Government has set up the Board for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction (BIFR) to inquire into the working of sick industrial companies and to prepare and sanction, as appropriate, schemes for revival of mills.